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Highlights

- Potato stocks • Winter wheat seedings • Grain stocks
- Hay stocks • Hog and pigs

Average prices received by farmers and ranchers

Commodity and unit	U.S. prices Dec 2002	U.S. prices Dec 15 2003 ^{1/}	Oregon		
			Dec 2002	Nov 2003	Dec 15 2003 ^{1/}
Crops:					
Wheat, bushel \$	4.06	3.63	4.00	*3.60	3.68
Barley, bushel \$	2.91	2.41	2.51	*2.65	2.60
Oats, bushel \$	1.95	1.36	-	-	-
Hay, Alfalfa baled, ton	98.00	87.90	96.00	96.00	96.00
Hay, All baled, ton \$	91.10	81.30	95.00	93.00	93.00
Potatoes, cwt \$	6.67	5.50	5.60	*5.10	5.05
Onions, fresh, \$	11.50	14.80	-	-	-
Sweet corn, fresh. . . \$	18.30	27.40	-	-	-
Pears, fresh, ton \$	437.00	392.00	-	-	-
Apples, fresh, lbs \$.263	.285	-	-	-
Strawberries, fresh. . . \$	1.27	1.77	-	-	-
Livestock/products:					
Steers/heifers, cwt \$	75.00	98.60	75.00	*90.00	90.50
Slaughter cows, cwt . . . \$	34.60	49.90	36.00	*47.00	47.50
Calves, cwt \$	95.30	113.00	87.00	*100.00	100.00
Lambs, cwt \$	87.20	-	80.00	88.50	-
Sheep, cwt \$	38.70	-	32.00	33.50	-
All milk sold to Plants, cwt \$	11.55	13.70	-	-	-
Fat test %	3.81	3.79	-	-	-
Eggs, dozen \$.628	.868	-	-	-

^{1/} Preliminary.

* Revised entire month.

United States feed ratios

Feed ratios	Dec 2000	Dec 2001	Dec 2002	Nov 2003	Dec 2003
Broiler	6.5	6.4	4.7	*5.1	5.1
Hog-corn	20.2	16.8	13.1	15.8	15.0
Milk feed	3.04	2.99	2.44	*3.05	2.80

* Revised.

Index numbers of prices received by Oregon farmers and ranchers

Commodities	1910-14=100		1990-92=100		
	Dec 2002	Dec 2003	Dec 2002	Nov 2003	Dec 2003
All farm products	743	774	127	143	131
All crops	764	767	136	149	136
Livestock & prod.	652	803	89	*114	110

* Revised.

United States price ratio

Indexes	1910-14=100		1990-92=100		
	Dec 2002	Dec 2003	Dec 2002	Nov 2003	Dec 2003
Prices rcvd	635	732	100	117	115
Prices paid ^{1/}	1,666	1,736	125	130	130
Ratio ^{2/}	38	42	80	90	88

^{1/} Prices Paid, Interest, Taxes & Farm Wage Rates indexes from quarterly reports.

^{2/} Ratio of Index of Prices Received by Farmers to Index of Prices Paid. This ratio on 1910-14=100 Base is the parity ratio.

November U.S. egg production up 1 percent

U.S. egg production totaled 7.28 billion during November 2003, up 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.25 billion table eggs and 1.02 billion hatching eggs, of which 968 million were broiler-type and 56.0 million were egg-type. Total layers during November 2003 averaged 336 million, down 1 percent from a year earlier. November egg production per 100 layers was 2,165 eggs, up 1 percent from November 2002.

Oregon winter wheat seedings for 2004 down

Oregon wheat producers seeded an estimated 900,000 acres of winter wheat last fall for harvest in 2004. This level is down 7 percent or 70,000 acres from 2003.

Dry conditions across the Pacific Northwest (Oregon, Idaho, and Washington) hampered emergence and in many cases resulted in less than ideal stands. Acreage is down in all 3 States largely due to the lack of soil moisture. Some early planted fields in Washington were reseeded due to crusting. Idaho growers decreased their wheat acreage by 5 percent to 720,000 acres. Washington growers planted 1.75 million acres, also down 5 percent from 2003.

Nationally, the winter wheat planted area for harvest in 2004 is estimated at 43.5 million acres, down 3 percent from 2003. Seeding began last August and advanced ahead of the five-year average pace throughout the fall. (Nearly all of the U.S. acreage was seeded by December 1. The largest remaining intended areas are in the Southeast and California.) Seeding should finish sometime next month in California.

Hard Red Winter (HRW) wheat seeded area is about 31.0 million acres, down 4 percent from 2003. Acreage declines were reported in the southern Great Plains States, where moisture supplies remain low. The Texas High Plains only received 54 percent of normal rainfall during August, September, and October. As of November 30 in Kansas, 65 percent of the topsoil moisture was rated short to very short, and 69 percent of the subsoil moisture fell into that category.

Germination rates in Colorado were below normal as the crop headed into dormancy. Nebraska planted acreage is unchanged from 2003, where crop condition ratings at the end of November were only slightly better than a year earlier. Growers in the Dakotas and Montana seeded more winter wheat than a year ago even though moisture was also short there. Emergence problems and lack of snow cover left growers concerned about the winter hardiness of the crop.

Soft Red Winter (SRW) area, at about 8.3 million acres, is up slightly from last year. Several factors contributed to significant acreage increases in Missouri and Illinois, including record high yields last year, good prices, and some disappointment with alternative crop yields. North Carolina growers also planted substantially more wheat this fall, rebounding from last year's well below normal level. Most remaining SRW States planted fewer acres than last year, most notably Ohio.

Winter wheat: Area seeded by crop year, 2002 - 2004 ^{1/}

State	2002	2003	2004
	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres
Oregon	800	970	900
Idaho	730	760	720
Washington	1,800	1,850	1,750
Pacific Northwest ^{2/}	3,330	3,580	3,370
United States	41,845	44,945	43,464

^{1/} Total for all purposes.

^{2/} Includes Oregon, Idaho and Washington.

Oregon hog numbers decrease from 2002

Inventory of all hogs and pigs in **Oregon** on December 1, 2003 totaled 27,000 head. This is 13 percent less than a year earlier. Of the total hogs and pigs, 6,000 were for breeding and 21,000 were for market. Oregon's annual (2003) pig crop was 54,000 head, unchanged from the 2002 crop. **U.S.** inventory of all hogs and pigs on December 1, 2003, was

60.0 million head. This was 1 percent above December 1, 2002, but slightly below September 1, 2003. Breeding inventory, at 5.97 million head, was down 1 percent from December 1, 2002, but 1 percent above last quarter. Market hog inventory, at 54.1 million head, was 1 percent above last year, but slightly below last quarter.

Hogs and pigs: Inventory, pig crop and number of operations, Oregon and United States, 2001-2003

Item	Oregon			United States		
	2001	2002	2003	2001	2002	2003
Inventory, December 1:	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
All Hogs and pigs	29	31	27	59,804	*59,513	60,040
Kept for breeding	6	6	6	6,290	6,012	5,966
Market	23	25	21	53,594	*53,501	54,074
Market hogs and pigs, by weight ^{1/}						
Under 60 pounds	9	9	8	19,908	19,461	19,821
60-119 pounds	6	7	6	12,924	*13,054	13,250
120-179 pounds	4	4	3	10,744	*10,881	10,839
180 pounds and over	4	5	4	10,018	*10,105	10,164
Sows farrowing, Annual (Dec. - Nov.) ^{2/}	6.6	6.2	6.4	11,385	*11,483	11,306
Pig crop, Annual (Dec. - Nov.) ^{2/}	55	54	54	100,503	*101,344	100,406
Pigs per litter, Annual (Dec. - Nov.) ^{2/}	8.33	8.71	8.44	8.83	*8.83	8.88
Operations with hogs ^{3/}	1,000	1,000	n/a	80,880	75,350	n/a

^{1/} Weight groups may not add to market due to rounding. ^{2/} December previous year to November of current year. ^{3/} An operation is any place having one or more hogs on hand. * Revised.

JANUARY 1 STOCKS UP FIVE PERCENT

Potato stocks in Oregon totaled 15.8 million cwt. as of January 1, 2004, reflecting an increase of 5 percent from January 1, 2003. This total accounts for 75 percent of the 2003 crop production in Oregon, compared to 60 percent last year at this time. Stocks include potatoes received from other States now being stored in Oregon. About 70 percent of Oregon's stocks are in the Hermiston/Boardman area, while 12 percent are in Klamath County and 11 percent are in Malheur County. Last year at this time, nearly 62 percent of Oregon's stocks were in the Hermiston/Boardman area, while 13 percent were in Klamath County and 17 percent were in Malheur County. Hermiston/Boardman area stocks are up 19 percent from one year ago, Klamath County stocks are identical to last year's, and Malheur County stocks are down 31 percent from last year. Potato stocks are defined as the quantity (whether sold or not) remaining in storage for all purposes and uses, including shrinkage, waste and other losses that occur after January 1.

Potatoes: Production and total stocks of fall potatoes, 2002 & 2003 crops

State	Crop of 2002			Crop of 2003		
	Production	Total stocks Jan 1, 2003	Jan 1 stocks as % of production	Production	Total stocks Jan 1, 2004	Jan 1 stocks as % of production
	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Oregon	24,936	15,000	60	20,991	15,800	75
Idaho	133,385	82,500	62	123,180	76,500	62
Washington	92,400	43,500	47	93,150	44,000	47
Pacific Northwest ^{1/}	250,721	141,000	56	237,321	136,300	57
California	4,264	2,900	68	3,444	2,300	67
Colorado	27,885	18,100	65	23,652	15,500	66
Maine	16,960	11,200	66	17,030	12,100	71
Michigan	13,878	6,500	47	15,015	6,500	43
Minnesota	18,700	10,500	56	22,330	12,400	56
Montana	3,224	3,000	93	3,339	3,100	93
Nebraska	8,611	4,550	53	9,860	5,800	59
New York	5,500	1,800	33	6,510	2,800	43
North Dakota	23,460	14,000	60	27,440	17,300	63
Ohio	903	40	4	1,290	180	14
Pennsylvania	2,590	1,100	42	3,915	1,600	41
Wisconsin	31,125	17,000	55	32,800	18,000	55
15 State Total	407,821	231,690	57	403,946	233,880	58

^{1/} Includes Oregon, Idaho and Washington.

Hay stocks down from last December

Hay stocks on Oregon farms and ranches on December 1, 2003 totaled 2,395,000 tons, down six percent from December 1, 2002. Hay stocks were also down in Idaho, and remained the same in Washington. Nationally, hay stocks on December 1, 2003 were up seven percent from the previous year.

Hay: On farm stocks, selected States, U.S. 2002 - 2003

State	2002 Crop			2003 Crop	
	Production	Stocks on hand		Production	Stocks on hand
		Dec. 1, 2002	May 1, 2003		Dec. 1, 2003
	<i>1,000 tons</i>	<i>1,000 tons</i>	<i>1,000 tons</i>	<i>1,000 tons</i>	<i>1,000 tons</i>
Oregon	3,407	2,550	330	3,629	2,395
Idaho	5,608	2,972	673	4,950	2,772
Washington	3,346	1,620	285	3,603	1,620
Pacific NW ^{1/}	12,361	7,142	1,288	12,182	6,787
U.S.	150,962	103,692	22,168	157,123	110,752

^{1/} Includes Oregon, Idaho and Washington.

Note: Stocks as of May 1, 2004 available May 12.

Oregon wheat stocks up 1 percent from a year ago

Stocks of **wheat** stored in all positions totaled 33.8 million bushels on December 1, 2003. This is one percent more than the 33.5 million bushels stored a year ago. Off-farm stocks totaled 26.3 million bushels, an increase of five percent from last December. On-farm stocks, at 7.5 million bushels, were down 12 percent from last year and accounted for 22 percent of the total stocks. **Barley** stocks totaled 3 million bushels on December 1, 2003, an increase of 11 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks totaled 2.3 million bushels, up 36 percent from a year ago. **Oat** stocks stored off farm totaled 365,000 bushels.

Pacific Northwest (Oregon, Idaho, and Washington)

Wheat stocks stored in all positions totaled 195.5 million bushels, down one percent from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 152 million bushels, were down three percent from last year. **Barley** stocks totaled 42.9 million bushels, down 12 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 26 million bushels, accounted for 60.6 percent of the total stocks stored.

Grain Stocks: December 1, 2002, September 1, 2003, & December 1, 2003

Crop/ Quarter	Oregon			Pacific Northwest ^{1/}			United States		
	On farm	Off-Farm ^{2/}	Total	On farm	Off-farm ^{2/}	Total	On farm	Off-farm ^{2/}	Total
	<i>1,000 Bushels</i>			<i>1,000 Bushels</i>			<i>1,000 Bushels</i>		
Wheat									
Dec. 1, 2002	8,500	24,955	33,455	40,500	156,646	197,146	384,800	935,069	1,319,869
Sept. 1, 2003	11,000	32,350	43,350	62,000	201,896	265,896	687,320	1,351,652	2,038,972
Dec. 1, 2003	7,500	26,325	33,825	43,500	151,967	195,467	491,925	1,029,159	1,521,084
Barley									
Dec. 1, 2002	1,000	1,659	2,659	19,500	29,140	48,640	83,400	86,601	170,001
Sept. 1, 2003	1,700	793	2,493	25,700	31,193	56,893	141,900	99,730	241,630
Dec. 1, 2003	700	2,259	2,959	16,900	26,038	42,938	97,200	100,684	197,884
Oats									
Dec. 1, 2002	*	521	*	*	1,122	*	52,500	51,284	103,784
Sept. 1, 2003	*	384	*	*	1,109	*	82,100	49,637	131,737
Dec. 1, 2003	*	365	*	*	1,077	*	64,300	54,918	119,218

^{1/} Includes Oregon, Idaho and Washington.

^{2/} Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals, and processors.

* Data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

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